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"BREAD"

is a screen version of the sensationally popular novel by CHARLES G. NORRIS

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"THE CAST"

JEANETTE and Alice are the daughters of Mrs. Sturgis, a poor widow who gives music lessions to pay for her shabby New York flat, and to keep the girls in high school.

Jeanette is impetuous, proud and spirited, and when she is humiliated because she is the most poorly dressed girl at a dance, she decides to go in for business. After a six week course in a business college, she obtains a position with the Corey Publishing Company, and eventually becomes private secretary to Mr. Corey.

Martin Devlin, a young salesman, falls in love with her, and interests her despite her genuine liking for the business world. Roy Beardsley, a poor youth, is courting Alice. When Mrs. Corey, suspicious and jealous, names Jeanette in her divorce proceedings against her husband, the girl leaves Corey's employ and marries Martin.

Their married life proves to be just what Jeanette has been trying to avoid. Martin is a spender, and she is soon involved in a struggle to keep the family larder filled. To make things worse, Martin begins drinking too much and too often. The climax of their marital troubles comes when Martin steals money from the strong box in which they had contributed weekly in the hope of realizing their dearest dream—children.

Jeanette decides it will be better for both of them if she leaves Martin and goes back to the office life. Mrs. Corey realizes how she had misjudged the girl, and Jeanette gets back her old job as Corey's secretary.

Three years later, Jeanette has risen to a high position with the organization. Onece in a while, however, the regrets having left Martin, who, in the meantime, has become a successful auto sales manager. The latter does nothing to effect a reconciliation, because he believes his conduct toward her was unpardonable.

Alice and Roy, meanwhile have been happily married. Theirs is a struggle to live, confronted by the ogre of poverty. But they do not care for such difficulties as long as their little home is intact. Two children have come

to bless their marriage.

At Last Roy begins to save a little money. By stinting himself of lunches and putting every extra penny away, he is able to invest in a new Ford sedan.

This he buys from Martin, and the latter is prevailed upon to accompany Roy to the house. Martin is panic-stricken when he finds Jeanette there playing with the children, and Jeanette is equally at a loss what to do.

Before there is any opportunity for either of them of object, they are bundled into the new car for a demonstration ride. Martin finds himself somehow in the back seat with Jeanette. As the car starts off with a sudden jolt, Jeanette is thrown into Martin's arms—and the demonstration is on.

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